

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:
Hyun J. Hwang *et al.*

Application No.: 10/801,342

Confirmation No.: 2316

Filed: March 15, 2004

Art Unit: 1637

For: *METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR
AMPLIFICATION OF NUCLEIC ACID
SEQUENCES BY USING THERMAL
CONVECTION*

Examiner: Pande, Suchira

RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

MS Amendment
Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

Further to the Office Action dated December 31, 2008 in which the period for response has been extended two (2) months by the enclosed Petition and requisite fee, Applicants respectfully request consideration of this above-referenced application in view of the following remarks, amendments and submission of a second Rule 131 Declaration.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 12 of this paper.